

ELECT OFFICERS AT BANQUET TUESDAY

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ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR

F. L. Gilmore Was Elected President; Big Things Are Promised And Talked Of At Meeting.

The twelfth annual meeting and banquet of the Deming Chamber of Commerce was held last Tuesday evening at the Manhattan cafe, on Silver avenue. There was a large number of boosters present and the enthusiasm shown demonstrates the resilient character of Deming's people. F. L. Gilmore was elected president for the ensuing year, the remaining directors being A. A. Temke, treasurer, Herman Lindauer, J. A. Mahoney, Albert Field, Clyde Earl Ely, Jack Tidmore, Dr. R. C. Hoffman and D. F. Weathered. After the banquet A. W. Pollard, the retiring president, made his report of the activities of the civic institution for the past year consisting of "keeping it going" until the financial crisis is ended and the money can be obtained to enlarge the work. Mr. Pollard has been connected in an official capacity with the Chamber of Commerce practically ever since its organization in 1910 and he was urged to again accept the presidency, which he declined with emphasis. A nominating committee was finally appointed by the chair to name a president and eight other directors. This committee considered only the name of Mr. Gilmore, who was already a member of the board, serving as vice-president. Among other things Mr. Pollard brought out the possibility for renewed immigration into the Mimbres Valley and the value of the growing motor tourist traffic through Deming, the city being in a most advantageous position regarding all the southern transcontinental highways that converge here.

The report of Mr. Temke, treasurer, shows that, even with the reduced income the Chamber of Commerce has so conducted its affairs that it owes nothing and has a balance in the bank. He also read the report of Mrs. O. H. Almy, secretary showing receipts and disbursements in detail. These reports were adopted without debate.

The guest of honor was T. W. Wilson, division superintendent of the Southern Pacific company and one of Deming's best friends. He pleaded for more co-operation between capital and labor, for lower wages, longer hours and more production. He represented himself to be a laboring man who had succeeded through his own best efforts.

The meeting was then thrown open for a general discussion. G. D. Hatfield responded to a request to tell how he succeeded on a Mimbres Valley farm. He answered in substance by the word "work" qualified by the adjective "hard." However, he maintained that the attitude of the community toward the newcomers also was largely responsible for success or failure. He urged the hiring of a county farm agent.

J. C. Ingram, another successful Mimbres Valley farmer, responded when asked to tell how to succeed here in the farming game. He is of the opinion that the greatest need is for farmers who are willing to start in a modest way on small acreage while they study the local conditions. Not only capitalists, but poor men are needed to develop the agriculture of this region, he says.

Felix Gilmore, the next speaker, told of the need for farm products in this section. He says that his company could handle a great many more of such crops as potatoes, tomatoes and other garden food stuffs. He called attention to the quality and quantity of last year's potato crop which, he declared, was superior to anything produced in Colorado or California.

S. A. Lindauer, in his inimitable manner, told of the potential possibilities in every line. The picture he painted was worthy of the old-time oratory of R. C. Ely, the first president of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Lindauer pleaded for the "dreamers" as well as the doers and maintains that Deming cannot come into its own until its people get a vision of the future and work to make their dreams come true.

STATEMENT GIVEN BY TREASURER

Deming banks don't need state funds to keep them going. This fact is shown by a statement issued by the state treasurer last week at Santa Fe. The capital surplus and amount of state money on deposit for the various banks of New Mexico is given. It shows that the Deming National Bank has \$31,190.59, of state funds on deposit with a capital of \$40,000.00 and a surplus of \$40,000.00; the Bank of Deming has \$15,339.34, of state funds with a capital of \$50,000.00, and surplus of \$40,020.00.

TAIBAN BANK CLOSES

The state bank examiner announces the closing of the Bank of Commerce of Taiban, New Mexico, the reason being "overloans."

DEMING RESIDENT DIES

Clarence J. Hill, 33 years old, died last Thursday night at 609 S. Silver avenue. He was buried Friday in the local cemetery, The Rev. Walker conducting the funeral service. A. B. Hill, Ben Hill, brothers were at the bedside when the end came. H. H. Hill of Los Angeles, and Ira Hill of Albuquerque, brothers were here to attend the funeral as was the mother of the deceased who came from Hinton, West Virginia.

JAMES GEORGE DEAD

James George died at his home on Silver avenue last Tuesday night. Funeral services were held at the Mahoney mortuary the next day, The Rev. W. E. Foulke preaching the funeral sermon. He is survived by his mother Mrs. M. U. McDaniel, a brother, Riley George and four sisters, Mrs. Lulu Phillips of Christmas, Arizona; Mrs. Mille Goodman, of El Paso; Mrs. Anna Kratz, of Denver and Mrs. H. L. Hulett, of El Paso.

HELD TO GRAND JURY

Last week U. S. Commissioner Cole, of Columbus, held Eugene Connolly and Charles Pifer of Deming to the grand jury under \$1,000 bond each. Eighteen gallons of liquor was the cause of the arrest.

THRUPP-SANSON-

R. S. Thrupp and Miss Mary Sanson were married at 6 p. m. last Saturday at the Methodist parsonage, the Rev. J. H. Walker officiating. They will reside at 310 S. Gold avenue.

CALLED AWAY BY ILLNESS

Mrs. J. G. Moir is in Chicago where she was called by the fatal illness of her brother, Charles R. Dairymple, who was for 25 years assistant secretary of the Chicago Title & Trust Co.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Dr. M. J. Moran motored to Columbus last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Van Atta visited in Silver City a part of last week.

Mrs. M. C. Tidwell returned to her home at Dwyer, after discharge from the Ladies' hospital here.

Sam Lindauer went to Phoenix, Arizona, Saturday on business.

Mrs. Efton Lindsey, of Colorado Springs, arrived in the city last Wednesday to visit her father, S. Lindauer.

The Bassett Motor company reports the sale of a Ford touring car to Lieut. Roy F. Caperton and a roadster to John Horton. Last week the company unloaded another car of the popular line.

H. E. Bassett of Silver City was in Deming enroute to El Paso last Tuesday.

Dr. S. D. Swope made a trip to Santa Fe last week. Mrs. Swope used the occasion to visit friends in El Paso.

Mrs. Ben Larson is visiting friends in Silver City.

Burt Ehrman will be in Deming tomorrow from Tucson, Arizona.

The Deming orchestra entertained the guests with musical selections during the evening and were heartily applauded for their efforts. A vote of thanks was extended to the organization for the pleasure afforded.

WITH THE CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., J. V. Schurtz, superintendent.

Special Christmas services at both morning and evening hours, 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sermons and music in keeping with the occasion. Join us in these services.

Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Mr. Clark will lead the meeting.

Mid-week prayer services each week on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend each of these services.

Special Christmas Exercises at the Methodist Tabernacle

Saturday evening will be a happy occasion for all the children of the Methodist Sunday School. A special program is being prepared by the children of the primary department and the committee having this in charge is sure to present an interesting and delightful program. Then will come the one for whom all good children look at this season—an honest to goodness—Santa Claus, who will greet the children and has promised something nice and sweet for each child. The children and older ones will try to eliminate all evidences of selfishness by making gifts before they receive any for themselves. A box will be placed near the front door and a committee there to receive gifts of clothing to be given to the poor of the town; also a collection will be taken during the evening so that small gifts may be purchased for those who are not fortunate enough to purchase for themselves. A liberal offering is desired. The services will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

J. H. WALKER, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

A Christmas program and tree for the Sunday school, Saturday night at 7:30.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Morning worship, 11:00 o'clock sermon by pastor. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:30.

At the evening hour there will be a special musical program by the choir in keeping with the traditions of the day. Miss Violet Lowe will sing "No Room in the Inn." The theme for discussion at the night service will be "The Man Christ Jesus, Who is He." A warm auditorium, a hearty welcome, a homelike greeting, mingled with sincere christianity are the things for you at the Baptist Tabernacle.

During the past year the church has made great progress in many ways. The Sunday school has doubled in average attendance, the young peoples' organization has met the standard required by the Sunday school board, the Women's Missionary Society has done the greatest work in its history. The church has had a substantial increase in membership and has had the greatest financial year of its history, regardless of adverse circumstances. The resident active membership has reached the high average of \$37.70 per cap. We are closing the year in good condition every way and expect to enter the new with a determination that will win. Come be one of us.

J. J. STRICKLAND, Pastor.

MAPLE ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST

Christmas program will be given Saturday night at 7:00 o'clock. There will be a tree, treat and program of music, reading etc. The program in part follows:

Song by the congregation; Bible story by Ethel Measday; prayer by the minister; song, "Holy Night," by the school. Program by the primary department, conducted by Mrs. Estes. Recitations by Mary Frances Barrett, Lucile Williams and Gertrude Fairall; readings by Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Cannon. A holy wreath drill by the Juniors and Primaries; vocal duet by Miss Regan and Miss Cannon; solo by Florence Estes; number by a male quartette; number by the Senior Girls' class.

Schedule of Sunday's services are as follows: 9:45, Bible school; Classes and literature adapted to all ages. 11:00, communion and preaching services; sermon subject, "What Christmas Means to Us." 2:30 p. m., Junior Endeavor meeting led by Elsie Bell. 6:00 p. m., Intermediate and Senior Endeavors; topic, "Following the Star."

7:00 p. m., evening worship and preaching services, sermon subject "The Shadow That Was Cast by Jealousy at the Cradle of Jesus."

All our services throughout the day in sermon, song and lesson study, will breathe the spirit of the angelic messengers who sang "Glory to God in the Highest, peace on earth, peace, good will toward men."

MEXICAN NAZARENE CHURCH

A Christmas tree will be enjoyed by the members of the Mexican Nazarene church at 8 o'clock next Saturday evening at the church, corner of Zinc avenue and Second street.

The new pastor, Rev. A. M. Hampton is here from Oklahoma with his family to take charge of his mission work. The Rev. H. J. Karnes is now district superintendent of missions.

NAZARENE CHURCH

We extend a hearty invitation to all to be present at our Christmas entertainment given Friday evening at 7:30.

Sunday services will be as follows: Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Preaching service at 7:30 p. m.

The 3:00 o'clock service will be discontinued for the present. Come worship with us.

DORA WILLIAMS, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mrs. J. D. Henry, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00. Choir rehearsal Thursday evening, R. E. Thompson, musical director.

Christmas exercises will be held Thursday evening at 7:30. This will be a White Christmas, gifts will be brought and afterward distributed to persons in the community who are in need. An interesting program will be given at the church.

The pastor expects to preach a Christmas sermon next Sunday morning at 11:00, subject, "The Eternal Child in the Manger." The subject has enlisted the special interest of the pastor and he hopes that the sermon will prove of interest to all who hear it. All not worshipping elsewhere are given a special invitation to attend our services.

Wm. SICKLES, Pastor.

SPANISH METHODIST CHURCH

The Spanish Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Platinum and Hemlock, will hold their Christmas program on Sunday evening the 25. The program will consist of a Christmas play with songs and recitations and an illustrated lecture. The entire program will be in Spanish. Everybody invited. Mrs. T. M. Harwood who is acting superintendent of the Sunday school will have charge.

SALVATION ARMY NEEDS HELP

The Salvation Army is making a last appeal for funds for Christmas dinners for the poor. So far very little has been received and this appeal is made in order that the indigent shall not be forgotten.

TROOP "C" DRILL

There will be no Armory drill next Thursday evening and no mounted drill next Sunday. The next drill will be an Armory drill at 7:30 p. m., Thursday December 29. All members are expected to be present. Those who have not checked in their equipment are informed that they are holding up the payroll which should be immediately submitted for the semi-annual period.

By order of Capt. ELY.

W. A. POE, 1st Sgt.

CACTUS CLUB

The Cactus Club was entertained last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Sage, 301 S. Granite avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Haskel Dial and Godfrey Trowbridge were guests of the club. J. C. Watson won high score at bridge. After cards a dainty two course supper was served by the hostess.

Park Butler was a visitor from Silver City last Sunday.

BASKETBALL TEAM IS ORGANIZED

The basketball enthusiasts of this city are organizing a team which will endeavor to arrange several games with teams in this locality. The majority of the men that have volunteered for the squad have had either high school or college experience. Several will be familiar to the fans, since a number of last year's church leaguers will be playing. Plenty of practice is promised this year as the high school and Troop "C" have already organized and these three teams will practice against each other.

A communication has been received from the 12th, Aero Squadron, Fort Bliss, team asking for a game early next month. This game will be arranged if possible. An effort will also be made to schedule games with the Silver City normal and the American Legion teams.

Those reporting for practice include, Trowbridge, Steed, Cooper, R. Ruebush, B. Ruebush, Sage, Wheatley, Trine, Stump, Kelly, Rosch and Roach. This material should assure Deming of an excellent team.

CLASS BASKETBALL

Friday night at the Armory the Freshmen boys on from the Sophs, thereby clinching the high school championship. The Sophs led at the half, but Webb and Farrell proved too accurate at shooting baskets and the Freshies forged ahead early in the second half. The Soph girls won from the Freshies and the high school girls team defeated the town girls in a spirited game.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Deming Golf Club will hold its first tournament Monday, December 26th. This is to be a purely local affair. The present plans call for an entire day on the links.

The first event will be an 18 hole elimination round. The four low players will then draw and play off the semi-finals and finals. About 11 have entered already and more are expected.

ATTEND CONVENTION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

J. A. Rhea, chairman of the board of county commissioners, Tal Hunter, county assessor and P. A. Hughes, county clerk, will attend a convention of assessors and county commissioners of the state at Santa Fe this week. A demand will be made by Luna county representatives for the payment of the money due on the railroad aid bonds.

VETERANS ATTENTION

Don't forget that your insurance cannot be reinstated after December 31. It is important to keep this insurance in spite of the propaganda against it. It will grow more valuable as the government makes additional concessions to the ex-service men.

NOTICE TO POTATO GROWERS

All farmers who are interested in growing potatoes this coming year are requested to meet at the court house at 10 a. m., Saturday, December 31, to consider the advisability of organizing and purchasing seed.

FORT BAYARD TO STAGE RODEO

The spirit of the American soldier still prevails as shown in staging of the coming rodeo to be held under the auspices of the Chester L. Thompson Post, American Legion, at Fort Bayard, New Mexico, December 24-25-26, 1921. Those who are physically able to be up are doing everything possible to make this a huge success. Many men who had planned to spend the holidays at home are now buying tickets and using their influence to have a record attendance during the three day event.

Major Victor Wales, of the 7th Cavalry at Fort Bliss, "dropped" in on Deming yesterday, flying over from the post. He intends to establish a recruiting station here in the near future.

Dr. Young made a trip to Silver City yesterday. He reports considerable cattle movements from that point, Cambray, Leesburg and Deming.

BY THE WAY

Bud Hughes is back in town.

YULETIDE PROGRAMS IN DEMING SCHOOLS

Christmas Programs At The Various Public Schools Promise To Be Very Interesting.

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN WORK

Those Who Attend The Exercises Will Be Convinced Of The Interest The Students Have Taken In Their Work

Following are the Christmas programs that have been arranged in the Deming public schools. They will be given during the afternoon and evening of Friday, December 23, at the hours shown:

High School Building

7th Grade, Miss Anderson 2:15

Central Building

1st Grade, Miss McGuire 1:45

2nd Grade, Miss Peterson and Miss Calvin 1:45

6th Grade, Mrs. Fielder 1:45

4th Grade, Miss Owen 1:45

5th Grade, Miss Cobb 1:45

6th Grade, Mrs. Clark 1:45

Armory

Miss Whitehill and Miss Hollenback 2:00 p. m.

Mrs. Falkenberg 7:00 p. m.

Lowell Building

Miss Jacobson 1:15 p. m.

Miss Holstein and Miss Whitten 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. May 1:15 p. m.

Northside

Mrs. Smith and Miss Cover 1:45

SPIRITUALLY-MINDED THIEF

The meanest thief, of the numerous thieves who have hit Deming recently stole a trunk full of Bibles from the car of the Rev. T. M. Harwood. The police got on the trail immediately but have not been able to locate the villains. It is reasonable to suppose that there were some disappointed thieves when they opened the heavy trunk to read one or two commandments from the decalogue.

CHRISTMAS CHEER CUT OFF

Jose Morales and Jose Maria Lopez were arrested this side of Cambray, Thursday morning by federal officers accompanied by Edgar May, deputy sheriff. Each was held to the grand jury under \$2,500 bond for carrying deadly weapons while transporting intoxicating liquor. Ninety-eight quarts of tequila and 18 gallons of alcohol were seized along with an automobile in which the men were riding.

GOT ONE WHO ROBBED THE PARK HOTEL

John Sherman, one of those alleged to have robbed the Park Hotel a week or so ago, was captured last Tuesday at Lordsburg and is now in Luna county's jail. His partner, alleged to have assisted in the robbery, is still at large but with the prospect of soon falling into Sheriff Snyger's net.

BLOODY BATTLE PROVES TO BE KICK FROM MULE?

The bloody battle at the Union Station still rages in the newspapers, although it is said there was no such battle and therefore there could have been no blood drawn. Otherwise the cruel carnage was entirely correct. According to a recent account there never are any hoboes at the station, the folks who look like huns being members of the old fellows reading circle that, like the Toonerville trolley meets all trains. It appears that the excitement was caused by somebody throwing a fit, probably as the result of a kick from a white mule.

HAVE YOU A CHRISTMAS GRAPHIC?

If so return it to the Graphic office. It is needed for publicity purposes. A large number of extra copies were run, but the demand quickly exhausted the supply and now several hundred could be used to advantage for publicity purposes.